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SUBJECT: GENSCHER ON SALT CONSULTATIONS

1. WHEN I SAW ECONOMICS MINISTER LAMBSDORFF
DECEMBER 12, HE MENTIONED THAT HE HAD TALKED BY TELE-
PHONE WITH FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER THE PREVIOUS DAY
IN THE LATTER'S CONVALESCENT RETREAT IN THE BLACK
FOREST. GENSCHER HAD TOLD HIM THAT HE WAS VERY SATIS-
FIED WITH THE RECENT NATO MINISTERIAL MEETING, AND
PARTICULARLY WITH THE ASSURANCES PROVIDED BY SECRETARY
VANCE ON SALT-RELATED MATTERS. GENSCHER TOLD
LAMBSDORFF HE HAD RECEIVED A COMPLETE BRIEFING FROM
VAN WELL AND THAT HE WAS "FULLY SATISFIED AND APPRE-
CIATIVE."

2. LAMBSDORFF ADDED THAT, AS I KNEW, THERE HAD BEEN
SOME SERIOUS FRG CONCERNS ABOUT SALT II AND THE COURSE
OF FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS IN RECENT WEEKS. HE REMARKED
THAT "SOME OF THESE CONCERNS CAME FROM GENSCHER HIMSELF,"
AND IT WAS THEREFORE IMPORTANT THAT GENSCHER APPEARED
TO HAVE SUCH A POSITIVE VIEW OF THE OUTCOME OF THE
DISCUSSIONS IN BRUSSELS.

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3. ON GENSCHER'S HEALTH, LAMBSDORFF SAID HIS IMPRES-
SION IS THAT GENSCHER IS NOT SERIOUSLY ILL, BUT IS
SUFFERING PRIMARILY FROM EXHAUSTION. HE UNDERSTANDS
GENSCHER WILL SPEND A FEW DAYS AT CHRISTMASTIME IN
BONN AT HIS HOME, THEN WILL TAKE MORE LEAVE OUTSIDE OF
THE CAPITAL (PERHAPS IN BERCHTESGADEN) UNTIL MID-

JANUARY. HE THEN WILL WORK OUT OF HIS HOME FOR A WEEK
OR SO BEFORE RETURNING TO THE OFFICE FULL TIME. STOESSEL

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